28. (rewritten) A diverter valve and filter unit as claimed in claim 26 wherein the biassing means is a spring supporting said reservoir above said second tank outlet, said reservoir outlet is an aperture therein, said reservoir having attached thereto a tube aligned with said second tank outlet, said tube having a plate affixed thereto at a given distance above said second tank outlet such that when said plate moves said given distance said plate covers and closes said second tank outlet, said unit further including sealing means between said plate and said second tank outlet.

29. (rewritten) A diverter valve and filter unit as claimed in claim 27 wherein the inlet to the reservoir includes a tube having a flow control valve.

REMARKS

Claims 10, 24 and 27-29 have been rewritten to remove multiple dependencies and to clarify the intended scope of the claimed invention.

In light of all of the above, it is submitted that the claims are in order for allowance, and prompt allowance is earnestly requested.

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MARKED-UP CLAIMS

10. (amended) A downpipe filter as claimed in [any of the claims 1 - 9] claim 1 wherein each of said filters is a stainless steel gauze filter.

24. (rewritten) A diverter valve and filter unit for connection to the downpipe of a guttering system including a tank having a tank inlet and two tank outlets, a first tank outlet for passing water after passage through a filtration means, a second tank outlet for passing water [without filtration], a first valve means for controlling opening and closing of said second tank outlet depending on the flow rate of water through said tank inlet, said first valve means including a reservoir having an outlet [to the reservoir] through which said reservoir empties, an inlet to the reservoir for filling said reservoir from said tank inlet, means biassing said first valve means open, said reservoir inlet including second valve means for regulating the filling of said reservoir depending on said flow rate through said tank inlet, said first valve means closing said [unfiltered] second tank outlet when said flow rate is such that the weight of said reservoir overcomes the bias of said biassing means

27. (rewritten) A diverter valve and filter unit as claimed in claim 26 wherein the biassing means is a spring supporting said reservoir above said [unfiltered] second tank outlet, said reservoir outlet is a hollow tube aligned with said [unfiltered] second tank outlet, and said hollow tube has a plate affixed thereto at a given distance above said [unfiltered] second tank outlet such that when said plate moves said given distance said plate covers and closes said [unfiltered] second tank outlet, said unit further including sealing means between said plate and said [unfiltered] second tank outlet.

28. (rewritten) A diverter valve and filter unit as claimed in claim 26 wherein the biassing means is a spring supporting said reservoir above said [unfiltered] second tank outlet, said reservoir outlet is an aperture therein, said reservoir having attached thereto a tube aligned with said [unfiltered] second tank outlet, said tube having a plate affixed thereto at a given distance above said [unfiltered] second tank outlet such that when said plate moves said given distance said plate covers and closes said [unfiltered] second tank outlet, said unit further including sealing means between said plate and said [unfiltered] second tank

outlet.

29. (rewritten) A diverter valve and filter unit as claimed in claim 27 [or 28] wherein the inlet to the reservoir includes a tube having a flow control valve.